

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 62nd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Call to Order: Chair Walter McNutt, on February 4, 2011 at 3:00 PM, in Room 102
Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Walter McNutt, Chairman (R)
Rep. Cynthia Hiner, Vice Chairman (D)
Rep. Duane Ankney (R)
Rep. Tony Belcourt (D)
Rep. Randy Brodehl (R)
Rep. Tom Burnett (R)
Rep. Rob Cook (R)
Rep. Mike Cuffe (R)
Rep. Champ Edmunds (R)
Rep. Ron Ehli (R)
Rep. John Esp (R)
Rep. Steve Gibson (R)
Rep. Robert (Bob) Mehlhoff (D)
Rep. Ryan Osmundson (R)
Rep. Don Roberts (R)
Rep. Trudi Schmidt (D)

Members Excused: Rep. Bill Beck, Vice Chairman (R)
Rep. Roy Hollandsworth (R)
Rep. Galen Hollenbaugh (D)
Rep. Bill McChesney (D)
Rep. Jon C. Sesso (D)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Antoine Brockman, Committee Secretary
Jaret Coles, Legislative Branch
Jon Moe, Legislative Branch

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Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 93, 2/1/2011

Executive Action on: HB 32; HB 34; HB 42; HB 90; HB 93; HB 140; HB 202; HB 49

HEARING ON HB 93

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:01:56 Rep. Timothy Furey (D), HD 91, opened the hearing on HB 93, Revise laws related to slash hazard reduction.

00:32:21 Chairman McNutt

Proponents' Testimony:

00:03:26 Bob Harrington, Administrator, Forestry Division, Department of Natural Resources and Conservation (DNRC)

00:04:53 Patrick Heffernan, Representative, Montana Wood Products Association

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:06:45 Rep. Ankney

00:06:52 Mr. Harrington, DNRC

Closing by Sponsor:

00:08:13 Rep. Furey

00:09:30 Recess

00:17:38 Chairman McNutt

00:18:53 Rep. Hollandsworth, Rep. Hollenbaugh, Rep. McChesney, and Rep. Sesso entered.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 32

00:20:53 Motion: Rep. Esp moved **HB 32 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

00:20:59 Chairman McNutt

00:21:02 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Hiner moved **HB 32 BE TABLED**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Beck voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 34

00:21:28 **Motion:** Rep. Esp moved that **HB 34 DO PASS**.

Discussion:

00:21:35 Rep. Schmidt
00:21:40 Chairman McNutt
00:21:45 Rep. Schmidt

00:22:54 **Motion:** Rep. Schmidt moved **HB 34 BE AMENDED**.
[EXHIBIT\(aph28a01\)](#)

Discussion:

00:23:01 Rep. Schmidt
00:23:20 Rep. Hollenbaugh

00:23:50 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Beck voted by proxy.

00:24:02 **Motion:** Rep. Schmidt moved **HB 34 DO PASS AS AMENDED**.

Discussion:

00:24:10 Rep. Schmidt
00:24:30 Rep. Esp

00:24:34 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Beck voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 42

00:25:04 **Motion:** Rep. Hollenbaugh moved **HB 42 DO PASS**.

00:26:15 **Motion:** Rep. Hollenbaugh moved **HB 42 BE AMENDED**.
[EXHIBIT\(aph28a02\)](#)

Discussion:

00:26:20 Rep. Hollenbaugh
00:27:06 Jaret Coles, Legislative Staff Attorney, Legislative Services Division (LSD)
00:30:40 Rep. Sesso
00:30:49 Rep. Hollenbaugh
00:30:54 Rep. Esp

00:30:57 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Beck voted by proxy.

00:31:07 **Motion:** Rep. Hollenbaugh moved **HB 42 DO PASS AS AMENDED**.

Discussion:

00:31:12 Rep. Hollandsworth
00:31:17 Rep. Hollenbaugh
00:31:42 Rep. Hollandsworth
00:31:50 Rep. Hollenbaugh
00:32:01 Rep. McChesney
00:32:05 Mr Coles, LSD
00:32:43 Rep. Ankney
00:33:24 Rep. Esp

00:33:31 **Vote:** Motion carried 19-2 by roll call vote with Rep. Edmunds and Rep. Osmundson voting no. Rep. Beck voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 49

00:35:31 **Motion:** Rep. Esp moved **HB 49 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

00:35:42 Rep. McChesney

00:35:45 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Beck voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 90

00:36:11 **Motion:** Rep. Esp moved **HB 90 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

00:36:27 Rep. Hollenbaugh

00:36:36 **Vote:** Motion carried 19-2 by roll call vote with Rep. Burnett and Rep. Edmunds voting no. Rep. Beck voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 93

00:38:04 **Motion:** Rep. Esp moved **HB 93 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

00:38:12 Rep. McChesney

00:38:15 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 140

00:39:01 **Motion:** Rep. Hiner moved **HB 140 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

00:39:17 Rep. Hiner

00:39:28 **Motion:** Rep. Esp moved **TO HB 140 BE AMENDED.**
EXHIBIT(aph28a03)

Discussion:

00:40:36 Rep. Sesso

00:41:25 Rep. Esp

00:42:10 Rep. McChesney

00:42:43 Jon Moe, Expenditure Policy Analyst, Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD)

00:43:07 Rep. Hiner

00:43:29 Rep. Esp

00:43:43 Rep. Schmidt

00:44:21 Rep. Mehlhoff

00:44:47 Rep. Esp

00:46:03 Rep. Sesso

00:47:35 Rep. Sesso

00:47:59 Rep. Esp

00:48:02 Rep. Sesso

00:48:05 Mr. Moe, LFD

00:49:41 Rep. Gibson

00:49:50 **Vote:** Motion carried 17-4 by roll call vote with Rep. Belcourt, Rep. Cook, Rep. Cuffe and Rep. Schmidt voting no. Rep. Beck voted by proxy.

00:51:34 **Motion:** Rep. Esp moved **HB 140 DO PASS AS AMENDED.**

Discussion:

00:51:40 Rep. McChesney

00:51:50 **Vote:** Motion failed 9-12 by roll call vote with Rep. Beck, Rep. Brodehl, Rep. Burnett, Rep. Edmunds, Rep. Ehli, Rep. Esp, Rep. Gibson, Rep. McNutt and Rep. Roberts voting aye. Rep. Beck voted by proxy.

00:53:00 **Motion:** Rep. Esp moved **HB 140 BE TABLED AND THE VOTE REVERSED.**

Discussion:

00:53:15 Rep. Sesso

00:54:05 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Beck voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 202

00:55:53 **Motion:** Rep. Esp moved **HB 202 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

00:57:07 Mr. Moe, LFD

00:58:04 **Substitute Motion/Vote:** Rep. Hiner moved **HB 202 BE TABLED.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Beck voted by proxy.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 00:59:07

Antoine Brockman, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([aph28aad.pdf](#))